



7 OCTOBER 2018  
 THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN  
 ORDINARY TIME

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**8.00AM HOLY EUCHARIST**

Presiding Priest:	The Rev'd Ben Randall, Assistant Curate
Preacher:	Dean Lawrence Kimberley
Reader:	Hilary King
Prayers:	Maralin Dunn

**10.00AM CHORAL EUCHARIST**

Presiding Priest:	The Rev'd Ben Randall, Assistant Curate
Preacher:	Dean Lawrence Kimberley
Liturgical Assistant:	Michael Earle
Verge:	Peter Dawe
Music:	The Cathedral Singers
Director of the Singers:	Jill Kerr
Organist:	Paul Brown



**No phones  
 or cameras  
 please**

**5.00PM CHORAL EVENSONG**

Officiant:	Dean Lawrence Kimberley
Preacher:	The Rev'd Ben Randall
Music:	The Cathedral Singers
Director of the Singers:	Jill Kerr
Organist:	Paul Brown

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**\$20.55 p/hr**

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

Welcome to all as we come together this Sunday. We are glad you have chosen to come to the Transitional Cathedral today. God bless you and your family, friends.

As we continue through spring, with the promise of summer ahead, **The Yarn** knitting group which has run over the winter months is now on hiatus. Our thanks to everyone who has supported and been a part of this community within our Cathedral. We look forward to its return next year.

After eighteen months of frantic fundraising the **Cathedral Choristers tour to Sydney, Tokyo and Kyoto** is currently underway. We ask you to hold them in your prayers as they travel and sing a series of services, concerts and recitals. They take the Cathedral story overseas and we look forward to welcoming them back on duty on Tuesday 16 October. Updates will appear of the Cathedral's Facebook page

**Weekday services of Choral Evensong** resume on Tuesday 16 October. While the choir is on holiday (or on tour), it is a pleasure to have the **Cathedral Singers** providing our music. We thank them for their service over these weeks.

A **Regulars' Forum** is being held today, Sunday 7th October, following the 10.00am service.

**SING ALONG** with Jubilate  
**MESSIAH**  
A fundraising concert towards the restoration of Christ Church Cathedral

Have you ever wanted to burst into song at a Handel's Messiah concert? Here's your big chance! Join in with the Jubilate Singers to sing all your favourite choruses and enjoy our line-up of possible soloists. Limited seats available so bring your own, or download choruses from [www.jubilate.org.nz](http://www.jubilate.org.nz)

2.00pm  
**Sunday 18 November 2011**  
Christchurch Transitional Cathedral

Guest Music Director **Grant Bartley**  
with **David Burchell** (Christchurch City Organist)

Soloists: Susan Downes ..... Margaret Butler .....  
Frank Carter ..... Robert Barker .....  
Billey Payne & Rhona Noble .....  
Sean Gibbs .....

Always looking for new ideas. If you have any ideas, please contact us. Tel: 03 375 5500. Email: [info@ccct.org.nz](mailto:info@ccct.org.nz). See us last night. Get tickets quickly now!

CAMBRIDGE  
REINSTATE

On Thursday 25 October the **AGM for The Friends of the Cathedral** will be held at the Transitional Cathedral. You are invited to attend the 5.30pm service of Choral Evensong followed by a light tea and the AGM. Our guest speaker this year will be Jenny May who will be able to inform us of the latest developments in relation to the Cathedral in the Square.

On Sunday, 28 October you are warmly invited to our service of Choral Evensong at 5.00pm, offered to the glory of God and **to mark the start of the project to reinstate ChristChurch Cathedral in Cathedral Square**. A social function will follow the Evensong providing an opportunity for members of the Cathedral Community to meet the Trustees and Directors of the three entities, Church Property Trustees, ChristChurch Cathedral Reinstatement Trust and ChristChurch Cathedral Reinstatement Limited (the Joint Venture Company). We do look forward to you joining us for this occasion. Please RSVP by Wednesday 24 October to Tania Ohlson, [admin@reinstat.org.nz](mailto:admin@reinstat.org.nz)

**Prayer for the Diocese:** each week the Cathedral prays with the whole Diocese of Christchurch. This week we are asked to pray for the parish of Mt Herbert, and for the Royal Schools of Church Music; for all organists and choirs.

# THIS WEEK: 8 ~ 14 OCTOBER

**Morning Prayer is said Mon-Fri at 8.30am**

**Monday 8 October**

12.05pm Midday Prayer

**Tuesday 9 October**

12.05pm Holy Eucharist  
*with prayers for healing*

**Wednesday 10 October**

12.05pm Holy Eucharist (*Celtic*)

**Thursday 11 October**

12.05pm Holy Eucharist *in Te Reo Māori*

**Friday 12 October**

12.05pm Holy Eucharist

**Saturday 13 October**

12.05pm Midday Prayer

**SUNDAY 14 October**

**THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**8.00am Holy Eucharist**

*Preacher: The Rev'd Ben Randall*

**10.00am Choral Eucharist**

*Preacher: The Rev'd Ben Randall*

*Music: The Cathedral Singers*

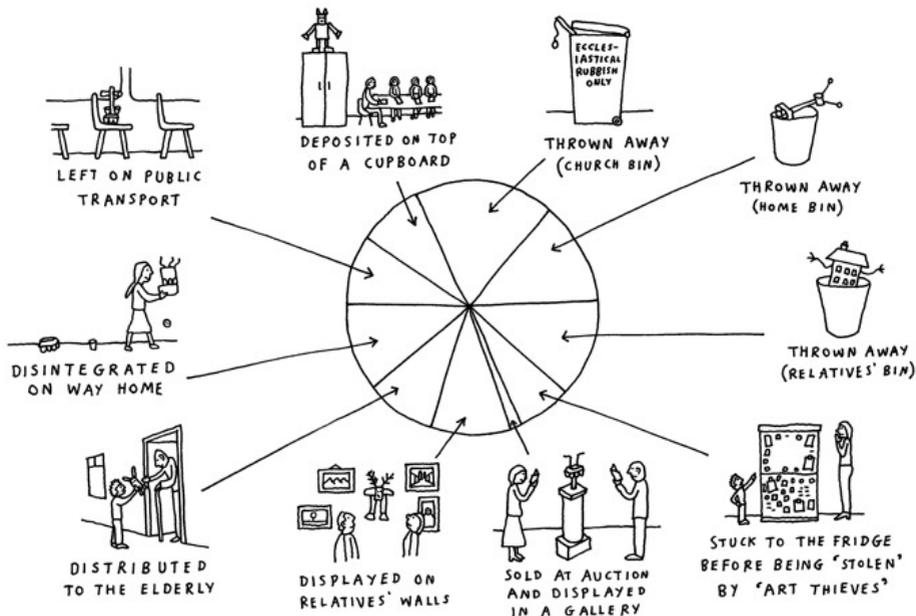
**5.00pm Choral Evensong**

*Preacher: Dean Lawrence Kimberley*

*Music: The Cathedral Singers*

## CHILDREN'S CRAFT ITEMS

WHAT HAPPENS TO THEM



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**REQUESTS FOR PRAYER:** If you have prayer requests for people or situations known to you, please contact The Rev'd Ben or The Rev'd Nicky ph. 3660046 or [assistantcurate@christchurchcathedral.co.nz](mailto:assistantcurate@christchurchcathedral.co.nz) or [nicky@christchurchcathedral.co.nz](mailto:nicky@christchurchcathedral.co.nz)

Welcome to the Transitional Cathedral, the broad tent with a wide-open door. If you are a visitor to Christchurch or from one of the parishes in this Diocese, our prayer is that in our worship today you will know that the love of God is for you.

The gospel reading today contains what might be regarded as one of the hard sayings of Jesus on the subject of divorce. When one hears this gospel being proclaimed, it is always helpful to remember that the context Jesus was speaking into was so different from our own. In the first century world that Jesus lived in, women were regarded as the property of men, and marriage was basically a property exchange between families. The world of Jesus was also an 'honour/shame' world. The way this worked was as follows: If man A had an affair with man B's wife, then man A brought shame on man B and his entire family. The wife involved would be regarded as worthless by man B and his family; she would be considered as having lost any value that she may have had to man B, and so man B could issue a certificate of divorce to restore his family honour. At that point the woman would be cast out with nowhere to go, as she would no longer have any family at all to belong to (not being able to return to her family of birth). The point of Jesus' teaching, is that the woman involved is also to be treated with the dignity that accords with her being a human being created by God, and not as a piece of property to be disposed of. There is to be no 'up/down' relationship in marriages in the Kingdom of God. Both partners are equally made in God's image and have equal dignity as human beings before God.

Today's reading may touch wounds that some of us carry, where relationships have ended and new marriages entered into. The Anglican Church always encourages couples to seek help to work out their differences, but our Church does not take a hard line when marriages end. Former Dean, John Bluck, wrote a liturgy for couples whose marriages were ending. Our canons allow for the re-marriage of those who are divorced. We acknowledge that we are all broken in some way and in need of forgiveness, and that in God there is only forgiving love. If today this reading touches you in a place where there is pain, take that to God and ask for healing, and he will surely answer your prayer. As always, members of the clergy team are always available to listen and to pray with you.

May God bless you this week,

*Dean Lawrence Kimberley*

## EXPLORING THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

Where ever you are on your faith journey the Transitional Cathedral extends a warm welcome to you. Whether you feel sure and confident in your faith or whether you are full of questions, doubts and uncertainties you are very welcome. At this Cathedral we seek to do our best to support one another in our shared searching and questioning, knowing none of us will ever fully understand it all.

If you would like to know more about the Christian faith then please contact a member of our clergy team, who will be happy to meet with you. You are also welcome to email The Rev'd Ben Randall at [assistantcurate@christchurchcathedral.co.nz](mailto:assistantcurate@christchurchcathedral.co.nz)